

THE INVENTION CLAIMED IS:

1           1.    A method of establishing a navigation mark  
2   with respect to a web page, comprising the steps of:  
3                retrieving the web page from a server;  
4                establishing an entry for the retrieved web  
5   page in a visited list maintained at a web navigation tool;  
6                displaying the retrieved web page on the web  
7   navigation tool;  
8                using a pointing device to designate a  
9   location within the displayed web page; and  
10               storing an indication of the designated  
11   location in association with the entry for the retrieved web  
12   page in the visited list.

1           2.    The method of claim 1, wherein the indication  
2   of the designated location includes data indicative of an  
3   offset from a beginning of the web page.

1           3.    The method of claim 1, wherein the indication  
2   of the designated location includes data indicative of an  
3   HTML object included in the web page.

1           4.    The method of claim 1, wherein the indication  
2   of the designated location includes data indicative of a  
3   paragraph of the web page.

1           5.    The method of claim 1, wherein the indication  
2 of the designated location includes data indicative of a tag  
3 included in the web page.

1           6.    The method of claim 1, wherein the indication  
2 of the designated location includes data indicative of a  
3 text string at the designated location.

1           7.    The method of claim 1, wherein the pointing  
2 device is a mouse.

1           8.    A method of selecting a portion of a web page  
2 for display, comprising the steps of:

3                   (a) providing an indication of an address of  
4 the web page;

5                   (b) in response to step (a), displaying a  
6 thumbnail representation of the web page, the thumbnail  
7 representation including a mark indicative of a particular  
8 location in the web page;

9                   (c) selecting the mark; and

10                  (d) in response to step (c), retrieving the  
11 web page from a server and displaying the particular  
12 location in the web page.

1           9.    The method of claim 8, wherein step (a)  
2 includes placing a cursor in a locus of a hyperlink which  
3 corresponds to the web page.

1           10.   The method of claim 8, wherein step (c)  
2 includes using a pointing device.

1           11.   The method of claim 10, wherein step (c)  
2 includes clicking a mouse button.

1           12.   A method of selecting a portion of a web page  
2 for display, comprising the steps of:  
3               displaying an indicia that represents a web  
4 page;  
5               selecting a portion of the indicia;  
6               in response to the selection of the portion  
7 of the indicia, retrieving the web page from a server and  
8 displaying a particular location in the web page, wherein  
9 the particular location corresponds to the selected portion  
10 of the indicia.

1           13.   The method of claim 12, wherein the indicia  
2 includes a thumbnail representation of the web page.

1           14. The method of claim 13, wherein the selected  
2 portion of the indicia is a location mark included in the  
3 thumbnail representation of the web page.

1           15. Apparatus for establishing a navigation mark  
2 with respect to a web page, comprising:

3                   a memory; and

4                   a processor connected to the memory and  
5 programmed to:

6                   retrieve the web page from a server;

7                   establish an entry for the retrieved web page  
8 in a visited list;

9                   cause the retrieved web page to be displayed;

10                  receive a signal from a pointing device to  
11 designate a location within the displayed web page; and

12                  store an indication of the designated  
13 location in association with the entry for the retrieved web  
14 page in the visited list.

1           16. Apparatus for selecting a portion of a web  
2 page for display, comprising:

3                   a memory; and

4                   a processor connected to the memory and  
5 programmed to:

6 receive a signal indicating an address  
7 of the web page;

8 in response to the received signal,  
9 cause a thumbnail representation of the web page to be  
10 displayed, the thumbnail representation including a mark  
11 indicative of a particular location in the web page;

12 receive a signal selecting the mark; and

13 in response to the received mark  
14 selection signal, retrieve the web page from a server and  
15 cause to be displayed the particular location in the web  
16 page.

1 17. Apparatus for selecting a portion of a web  
2 page for display, comprising:

3 a memory; and

4 a processor connected to the memory and  
5 programmed to:

6 cause to be displayed an indicia that  
7 represents a web page;

8 receive a signal indicating selection of  
9 a portion of the indicia;

10 in response to the received signal,  
11 retrieve the web page from a server and cause to be  
12 displayed a particular location in the web page, wherein the  
13 particular location corresponds to the selected portion of  
14 the indicia.

1           18. The apparatus of claim 17, wherein the  
2 displayed indicia includes a thumbnail representation of the  
3 web page.

1           19. The apparatus of claim 18, wherein the  
2 selected portion of the indicia is a location mark included  
3 in the thumbnail representation of the web page.

1           20. A computer program product comprising:  
2               a medium readable by a computer, the computer  
3 readable medium having computer program code adapted to:  
4               retrieve a web page from a server;  
5               establish an entry for the retrieved web  
6 page in a visited list;  
7               cause the retrieved web page to be  
8 displayed;  
9               receive a signal from a pointing device  
10 to designate a location within the displayed web page; and  
11               store an indication of the designated  
12 location in association with the entry for the retrieved web  
13 page in the visited list.

1           21. A computer program product comprising:

2 a medium readable by a computer, the computer  
3 readable medium having computer program code adapted to:

4 receive a signal indicating an address  
5 of a web page;

6 in response to the received signal,  
7 cause a thumbnail representation of the web page to be  
8 displayed, the thumbnail representation including a mark  
9 indicative of a particular location in the web page;

10 receive a signal selecting the mark; and

11 in response to the received mark  
12 selection signal, retrieve the web page from a server and  
13 cause to be displayed the particular location in the web  
14 page.

1 22. A computer program product comprising:

2 a medium readable by a computer, the computer  
3 readable medium having computer program code adapted to:

4 cause to be displayed an indicia that  
5 represents a web page;

6 receive a signal indicating selection of  
7 a portion of the indicia;

8 in response to the received signal,  
9 retrieve the web page from a server and cause to be  
10 displayed a particular location in the web page, wherein the  
11 particular location corresponds to the selected portion of  
the indicia.